

PATENT mer No. 22,852

Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 09612.1035-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Robert H. HALSTEAD, Jr.) Group Art Unit: 2672
Application No.: 09/966,564) Examiner: Javid A. AMINI
Filed: September 27, 2001))) Confirmation No.: 3785
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING GRAPHICAL OBJECTS FOR LAYOUT USING AN)))
ELASTIC DIFFERENCE OPERATION) Mail Stop Amendment)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this amendment include a Terminal Disclaimer; a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; a Submission of Formal Drawings, including twelve (12) sheets of formal drawings showing Figures 1-17; and a Change of Attorney Docket Number.